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SUBJECT: REQUESTED GRANT EXTENSION FOR PAULA ANNE ROARK

REF: GRANT AUTHORIZATION NUMBER 1069-550249 DTD 15 JAN 75

- 1. GRANTEE ROARK'S PERFORMANCE HAS EXCEEDED ALL EXPECTATIONS.
- 2. SHE HAS DEVELOPED EXCELLENT RAPPORT WITH VOLTAN OFFICIALS AND TEACHERS. BOTH UNIVERSITY RECTOR AND NATIONAL DIRECTOR SECONDARY EDUCATION WOULD LIKE TO HAVE HER SERVICES EXTENDED TO COMPLETE PROJECTS UNDERWYA; AND CREATE SEVERAL NEW ONES. RECTOR, FOR EXAMPLE; HAS INVITED MS. ROARK TO ESTABLISH A METHODS COURSE FOR TEACHING ENGLISH BEGINNING OCTOBER 1975 (THE FIRST SUCH COURSE EVER ATTEMPTED AT THE UNIVERSITY).
- 3. ONE OF ROARK'S PRIMARY OBJECTIVES IS TO ESTABLISH AN ENGLISH TEACHING DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL SYSTEM. GOUV EDUCATION MINISTRY OFFICIALS ARE VERY RECEPTIVE TO IDEA AND HAVE AGREED TO COOPERATE IN ORGANIZING THE DEPARTMENT.
- 4. IN ADDITION WORKING WITH VOLTANS, ROARK IS ASSISTING USIS WITH CREATION OF ENGLISH TEACHING DOCUMENTATION CENTER FOR TEACHERS WHICH WE BELIEVE WILL INCREASE LIBRARY'S EFFECTIVENESS.
- 5. NEW CPM ASSIGNS SUBSTANTIALLY GREATER IMPORTANCE TO OUR ASSISTING IMPROVED ENGLISH TEACHING HERE. THIS OBJECTIVE WOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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BE IMMEDIATELY AND EFFECTIVELY SERVED BY EXTENDING GOARK'S

GRANT.

6. BASED ON HER PERFORMANCE TO DATE, AS OUTLINED ABOVE AND THE DEGREE OF VOLTAN INTEREST IN LOCAL ENGLISH TEACHING EFFORT, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT TOARK'S GRANT BE EXTENDED FOR ADDITIONAL TEN MONTHS IF FY 75 FALLOUT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

7. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLIEST POSSIBLE ANSWER SINCE WE ARE ANXIOUS TO HAVE ROARK'S COMMITMENT.DUMAS

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